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March 7, 2018

Eric Rapport
Senior Engineer Geologist
California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region

Eric,

As requested please accept this correspondence regarding Letter of Intent, Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems within the City of Lindsay. As we spoke of a few weeks ago, the City of Lindsay does not permit onsite wastewater treatment systems within our city limits.

The City does own and operate a wastewater collection system and wastewater treatment facility (under State permit) for municipal and industrial use. All developments inside the city limits that generate wastewater flow are required to connect to our existing collection and treatment system.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Camarena".

Michael Camarena
Director of City Services

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THE FRIENDLY CITY



HEART OF CENTRAL
CALIFORNIA ORANGE AREA

From: Rapport, Eric@Waterboards
To: Rapport, Eric@Waterboards
Subject: City_of_Lindsay
Date: Thursday, March 8, 2018 11:05:00 AM

From: Rapport, Eric@Waterboards
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 11:03 AM
To: 'Michael Camarena' <engineering@lindsay.ca.us>
Subject: RE: City of Lindsay OWTS

Thanks for the clarification.

From: Michael Camarena [<mailto:engineering@lindsay.ca.us>]
Sent: Thursday, March 08, 2018 10:56 AM
To: Rapport, Eric@Waterboards <Eric.Rapport@waterboards.ca.gov>
Subject: Re: City of Lindsay OWTS

Hi Eric,

Responses are;

If the City of Lindsay were to annex a formerly unincorporated area with OWTS, do City codes require septic tank destructions?

The City typically does not pursue annexation. This would be either an individual property or group of properties or area that would submit request to the City.

As far as "an area" (multiple lots), the City has taken the position, especially with the area we know as Page-Moore Tract, that the area will not be considered for annexation until there is City domestic water (there is now), curb and gutter (there is approximately 50% of the area that has this improvement) and sanitary sewer collection system in place (while there are perimeter City collection pipes in place, the Page-Moore properties are not connected. There is no sewer collection system in place for a large majority of the properties).

If so, does the County oversee destructions?

Yes, Tulare County Environmental Health Department issues a demo permit and does the inspections.

Also, might any properties within annexed areas lie beyond sanitary sewer setbacks, and await sewer extension?

If I am reading the question correctly, the answer would be that properties within city limits are required to connect to the sewer collection system.

If so, and an OWTS were to fail on such a property, would the County respond to a complaint?
If there was a property within city limits that had an OWTS, the requirement would be to demo (TCEH permit) and connect to City collection system (fees paid and work completed by property owner/contractor). County typically would not respond to a complaint inside city limits.

Hope this helps Eric. Thanks.

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From: Rapport, Eric@Waterboards <Eric.Rapport@waterboards.ca.gov>
Sent: Thursday, March 8, 2018 8:57 AM
To: Michael Camarena
Subject: RE: City of Lindsay OWTS

Thanks, Michael.

If the City of Lindsay were to annex a formerly unincorporated area with OWTS, do City codes require septic tank destructions? If so, does the County oversee destructions? Also, might any properties within annexed areas lie beyond sanitary sewer setbacks, and await sewer extension? If so, and an OWTS were to fail on such a property, would the County respond to a complaint?

Eric

From: Michael Camarena [<mailto:engineering@lindsay.ca.us>]
Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2018 5:17 PM
To: Rapport, Eric@Waterboards <Eric.Rapport@waterboards.ca.gov>
Cc: Nilsa Gonzalez <ngonzale@tularehhsa.org>; Denise England <DEngland@co.tulare.ca.us>
Subject: City of Lindsay OWTS

Please see attached Eric.

Thanks.

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